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Short North Arts District Gallery Hop Celebrates 35 Years in September
Columbus’ favorite night to celebrate art features a bevy of gallery exhibitions, public art, performances, and more

COLUMBUS, OH (September 3, 2019) -- On Saturday, September 7, from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., the Short North Arts District commemorates the 35th anniversary of Columbus’ favorite night to celebrate art - Gallery Hop! In addition to a multitude of street performers, artisan vendors, and special events taking place throughout the Short North Arts District, this month’s Gallery Hop will feature the first ever salon-style show at recently-opened Sarah Gormley Gallery, an artist talk and musical performance at (Not) Sheep Gallery, and a CCAD alumni exhibition at Brandt-Roberts Galleries, as the college also celebrates its 140th anniversary.

In 1984, gallery owners in the Short North Arts District began what they called a “cooperative opening,” debuting new exhibits on the first Saturday of each month. The openings were an immediate success, helping to attract both visitors and new business owners. The monthly event, dubbed Gallery Hop in 1985, continues to thrive and grow as an inherent element of the Short North Arts District.

Today, Gallery Hop boasts exhibitions and events from more than 20 galleries and art venues, over 34 public art installations, as well as monthly activations from a mix of small businesses in the Short North Arts District. The September Gallery Hop will showcase two newly-completed public art projects in the Short North Arts District, the Graduate Hotel Mural Project titled The Journey, and the CAAMP mural titled Are You A Life-Force?, located at Bakersfield.

See the complete list of September Gallery Hop exhibitions and events below, and download corresponding photos here.

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For visitors making their way to the Short North Arts District for Gallery Hop, or any other weekend, visit shortnorth.org/parking-transit or download the Parking and Transit Guide here.

**Short North Gallery Exhibitions**

**ArtHaüs29**
Modern Organix Presents: Gallery Hop September at ArtHaüs29, located at 29 W 3rd Ave. Gallery Hoppers are invited to view the works of local artists and performers from the Ohio region, as well as the sound of a live DJ, and food and drinks.

**Brandt-Roberts Galleries**
Brandt-Roberts Galleries will feature alumni from the Columbus College of Art & Design (CCAD) for the month of September in conjunction with the college's 140th anniversary. Artists include Terri Alabanese, Christopher Burk, Richard Lillash, Marianne Miller, and David Reed. The exhibition will remain on view through September 30.

**Hammond Harkins Galleries**
Hammond Harkins Galleries will feature Linda Gall and Peter Madden’s *About Looking / Looking Good*. The exhibition will remain on view through September 14.

**Lindsay Gallery**
Lindsay Gallery will feature *Neoclassical Naïf* by Stephen Warde Anderson, on display throughout the month of September. Stephen Warde Anderson is a self-taught artist from Illinois whose paintings depict whimsical worlds inhabited by fairies, mermaids, aliens, historical figures, and glamorous ladies. Executed in a style best described as naïve classicism, Anderson uses bright color, strong line, stylized formal composition, and a mix of fantasy and social comment to create an ingenuous romanticism free of parody or irony.

Stephen Anderson has had shows in New York, Chicago, and Washington, D.C., and was profiled in Rawvision Magazine from London, England. His work is in the Roger Brown Study Collection of the Art Institute of Chicago, the Columbus Museum of Art, as well as in the Smithsonian and the American Folk Art Museum NY.

**Marcia Evans Gallery**
Marcia Evans Gallery will show Caroline Rowntree from September 6, 2019 through September 30, 2019. Rowntree's background as a graphic designer in New York was a natural segue into the use of drawing programs on a computer, where she takes her photos of living landscapes, gardens, flowers, and vistas, and creates an imaginative swirl of color and composition in her photographic digital prints.

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Muse Gallery at Gallerie Bar & Bistro
During the month of September, Muse Gallery will feature works by David Senecal at Gallerie Bar & Bistro, located in the Hilton Columbus Downtown. Senecal's pieces are atmospheric, moody, and provide a kind of scenery to any location at which they're displayed.

Muse Gallery at The Table
During the month of September, Muse Gallery will be displaying works by Nathaniel Galka at The Table, an independently owned restaurant and bar in the Short North Arts District.

Galka's pieces primarily talk about how human interaction with the environment affects plant and animal life. On the surface, Galka’s work is whimsical and fun: full of bright colors, glitter, and marvelously painted animals. However, upon further examination, there is a darkness to them. The flowers are mutated, the grass is artificial, and the skies are dark and polluted. These beautiful environments transform themselves into representations of a world destroyed by pollution. Through his painting, Galka draws attention to the present-day need to create a beautiful environment from the destruction caused by human contamination.

(Not) Sheep Gallery
On September 7, (Not) Sheep Gallery invites Gallery Hoppers to enjoy an artist talk from Ann Kim, who will be exhibiting throughout the month of September, and music by guitarist Stan Smith. Kim’s pieces for this exhibit will focus on fear-mongering within the media, which has been utilized by a number of governments to perpetuate the necessity of borders.

Ann Kim is a multimedia artist whose work ranges from painting to photography and video. As an avid traveler, she has become aware of the compassionate nature of people from all over the world and seeks to explore the question of why we need borders when it seems that their primary purpose is to prevent different people from seeing and understanding each other.

Pizzuti Collection of CMA
Gallery Hoppers can kick off the night at the Pizzuti Collection of the Columbus Museum of Art. Starting at 4 p.m., special Gallery Hop admission is $5 for non-members and free, as always, for members. Currently on view: Jim Hodges, and Evan Gruzis: Drop Shadow.

The Jim Hodges exhibition features more than thirty works by Jim Hodges from the collection of Ron and Ann Pizzuti. A highly regarded figure in contemporary art, Hodges often finds complex beauty in the fragile and fleeting, the mundane, and the timeless. His work is attuned to the power of a simple gesture. Hodges is among a generation of artists who came of age in the 1980s and 90s amidst a deepening AIDS epidemic and the continuing struggle for LGBTQ visibility and rights; love and loss are intertwined themes in his work.

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With work in a variety of media from 1992 to 2019 collected by Ron and Ann Pizzuti over a period of decades, this exhibition offers a unique view of the artist's practice. The exhibition will be on view at Pizzuti Collection of CMA through September 22, 2019.

Sarah Gormley Gallery
Opened in April of this year, Sarah Gormley Gallery is dedicated to the idea that art is a source of joy, and that owning an original work of art is something that should be accessible to everyone. Proprietor Sarah Gormley connects emerging and established artists with first-time art buyers and long-time collectors through a shared appreciation for original art and its power to stir us from within. September’s show introduces the salon-style gallery Gormley always imagined, hosting a group of incredible artists and demonstrating how an installation with an array of mediums can raise questions, push the imagination and, ultimately, delight the viewer. This exhibition will remain on view through September 29.

Sean Christopher Gallery Ohio
Sean Christopher Gallery Ohio will be closed during the September Gallery Hop through September 14, 2019, and will reopen September 15 with Chris Taylor: Saw, with an opening reception from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sharon Weiss Gallery
How does a painter create a self portrait? What does she choose to include in the picture frame? How does she choose to present herself? These seem like particularly challenging questions for an abstract artist, but this issue lies at the heart of Stacy Leeman’s newest show, To Define a Feeling. This show marks the Leeman's fifth solo exhibition with Sharon Weiss, and she has also participated in several two-person shows at the gallery. Leeman’s self-portrait series stretches traditional limits of self-portraiture by finding innovative ways to explore identity, relationships, and sense of place through abstraction. To Define a Feeling will remain on view through September 26.

Sherrie Gallerie
Join Sherrie Gallerie for a special exhibition honoring Maestro Davide Salvadore and his sons Mattia and Marco Salvadore. The Salvadore Family: Generations of Glass Artists will be on view from August 31 through October 13.

Studios on High
Glass + Fiber: A Juxtaposition will open at Studios on High on September 7 and will remain on view through October 3. Glass + Fiber: A Juxtaposition is a collaborative show from glass artist Beth Himsworth and fiber artist Deb Johnson, and explores the contrast and harmony of these two disparate media. The dimensionality of the work allows the viewer to experience the relationship between the textural elements of the fiber collage and the sleek solidity of the glass.

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Beth Himsworth’s glass works integrate movement, drama and rich color. Her diverse exploration of this medium showcases the wide array of textures, translucence and color, drawing the viewer’s eye into the shapes and rhythms. Deb Johnson takes inspiration from painting with fiber resulting in graphic, textural collage. Her two-dimensional and wearable works merge deconstructed textiles, yarn, and raw fiber in what appear to be accidental collisions of color.

Other Gallery Hop Activities

BrewDog Short North
Artwork by Olivia Graham will be on display during September Gallery Hop at BrewDog Short North. Graham, an artist and illustrator who is currently enrolled in CCAD, makes a variety of artwork from surreal and stylized art pieces to portraits. Graham explains, “I am not afraid to use plenty of color, nor am I limited to just one medium.” Graham’s work will remain on view through September 8.

First Commonwealth Bank
First Commonwealth Bank will feature the unique work of Dawn Petrill. Gallery Hoppers are invited to stop by from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. during Gallery Hop to meet the artist and enjoy her diverse and exciting artwork. Light refreshments will be served. Petrill's work will be displayed through the month of September in the lobby.

Petrill is a 1995 graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Art and received a Masters of Arts and Liberal Studies in studio arts from Wesleyan University in 2001. She began her artistic career as an illustrator, but has transitioned to become a fine artist through her business, Art At Dawn LLC. Dawn also teaches children and adults out of a studio in her Dublin, Ohio home where she lives with her husband, three children, and rescue dog. She is a member of the Dublin Area Art League, Worthington Area Art League, Ohio Art League, and the National League of American Pen Women.

Global Gifts
Stop by Global Gifts for ethically-made goods from over 40 different countries. During the September Gallery Hop, Global Gifts will host Engineers Without Borders from The Ohio State University. The group will be selling handicrafts by women in Gambia to help fund their field work in the country. Global Gifts will also be giving away a beautiful terracotta hummingbird luminary, hand-crafted by Nicaraguan artisans. The drawing will be held the evening of Gallery Hop.

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Greater Columbus Convention Center
How about a selfie with a 14-foot-high digital portrait of yourself? Visit the SMG-managed Greater Columbus Convention Center during Gallery Hop on Saturday, September 7 to view the largest contemporary collection of central Ohio art! The artwork features the interactive “As We Are” sculpture by Matthew Mohr. This 14-foot-tall, three-dimensional universal human head sculpture contains a photo booth capable of shooting 3-D pictures. After each photo shoot, the guest emerges from the booth to see his or her portrait projected as the enlarged face of “As We Are.” The special Gallery Hop parking rate in the Goodale Garage is $5 per vehicle from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

PENZONE Salon + Spa
Join PENZONE Salon + Spa as they celebrate the end of summer during the September Gallery Hop. Enjoy live music, a pop-up art gallery by Audio Acrylics, live painting, service demos, and more. PENZONE will also be hosting an extended happy hour and offering half-off all drinks from the bar from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m, which can be enjoyed on the new High Street patio.

Skully's Music Diner
The Get Right 2019 series has begun! New sounds, new guests, new vibes, but always the same Get Right energy. Catch the longest running hip hop party in the city at 10 p.m. on Gallery Hop. Admission is 21 and up, with a $5 cover before 11:30 p.m. and $10 after.

43 Homes
Join 43 Homes and Rajat Shanbhag in a celebration of his most recent works during the September Gallery Hop. Drinks and light hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

About Gallery Hop
On the first Saturday of every month, thousands of visitors converge on High Street in the Short North Arts District for Gallery Hop. Visitors celebrate art throughout the evening with new gallery exhibitions, street performers and artisan vendors, special events, food, and drinks throughout the District. With dozens of galleries and non-traditional exhibit spaces, it’s Columbus’ favorite night of the month to celebrate art. Though many shops and galleries are open earlier, Gallery Hop officially starts at 4 p.m. and runs to 10 p.m., with restaurants and bars staying open considerably later.

About the Short North Arts District
The Short North Arts District is the most vibrant spot in the City of Columbus, and is home to more than 300 exciting businesses, the majority of which are locally-owned or headquartered. It has received numerous national accolades, is considered a model for urban revitalization, and is known as the art and soul of Columbus. The Short North Alliance (SNA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization serving both the property owners and business owners of the Short North Arts District. For more information, visit www.shortnorth.org.

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